



## Maggie Brooks

## Monroe County Executive

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## STATEMENT FROM MONROE COUNTY EXECUTIVE MAGGIE BROOKS

Re: Governor Spitzer's State of the State Message

"Governor Spitzer has unveiled a promising economic agenda for Upstate New York. Cutting property taxes, reforming workers compensation, and helping small businesses succeed are critical steps needed to grow our upstate economy and create more jobs.

"I was particularly pleased with the Governor's call to reform our state's Medicaid system. Monroe County is a state leader in rooting out waste, fraud and abuse from the Medicaid system, lowering taxpayer costs through the use of generic drugs, and providing quality health care for those who need it most. As the only local government official who served on the federal Medicaid Commission, I am proud to offer the Governor my full support in this effort.

"In the days and weeks ahead, I look forward to working with Governor Spitzer and the Monroe County state legislative delegation to turn this agenda into a reality."

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